October 16, 2015

Sen. Phil Berger NC Senate 16 W. Jones St, Room 2007 Raleigh, NC 27601-2808

Re: Governmental Operations Consultation

Dear Mr. Berger:

The North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board is submitting a rule amendment to increase the inspection fee listed in **21 NCAC 66.0108**. The amendment will read, "Professional Corporation Certificate of Registration **\$150.00\$**." Pursuant to G.S. 12-3.1, we are requesting a consultation for this rule change and providing the requested information. The current corporation registration fee is \$150.00, and the amount of the increased fee would be \$160.00.

The statutory authority for the fee change can be found in G.S. 90-186(6)a. In accordance with G.S. 90-186 this fee increase does not exceed fifteen percent (15%) within a calendar year and does not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the fee amounts in the subdivision. The estimated total profit from this fee increase is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) annually. This fee is being amended to cover cost of living adjustments. We have attached the amendment for your review. Thank you for your time and attention.

Very Truly Yours,

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CC: Rep. Tim Moore